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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER FACTS FAX

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DELMARVA BROILER/FRYER MARKET, US Grade A, Week Ending 23-Dec-05

DATE	PRODUCTION (000)		ICE-PACKED, MULTI-DROP, IMMEDIATE DELIVERY		
	<u>Actual Slaughter</u>	<u>Live Weight</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Weighted Price</u>	<u># of Boxes</u>
12/19	2,230	5.90	47-72	(A)	(A)
11/20	2,048	5.84	47-76	(A)	(A)
11/21	2,238	5.83	51-72	(A)	(A)
12/22	2,197	5.88	54-76	(A)	(A)
12/23	2,089	5.73	52-72	(A)	(A)
Weekly	10,941	5.83	Cumulative:	(A)	(A)

A)Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations

NEGOTIATED TRADING, USDA GRADE A WHOLE ICE-PACKED, Week of 26-Dec-05

Weighted Averages for:	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
New York	56.87	56.46	65.77
Chicago	56.11	56.09	62.12
Detroit	56.00	56.00	62.18
Los Angeles	75.77	76.05	77.36
Composite Weighted Average	62.23	63.76	68.12

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Ice-Packed, Delivered first receivers, pool and trucklot volumes, cents per pound, Week Ending 23-Dec-05

	<u>Weekly Weighted Average Price</u>	<u>Total Volume/Pounds</u>
Breast - B/S	100.90	3,084,250
Tenderloins	97.18	549,188
Breast - With Ribs	66.09	310,200
Breast - Line Run	53.24	437,640
Legs	40.20	846,840
Leg Quarters (Bulk)	24.11	1,628,400
Drumsticks	34.41	441,050
Thighs	40.06	228,510
B/S Thighs	88.01	510,980
Wings (Whole)	82.34	1,115,700

(Includes NY City metro area, RI, Northern NJ, MA, CT, PA (NE of Harrisburg))

BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED (000), Week Ending 17-Dec-05

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>	<u>10-Weeks Prior</u>	<u>7-Weeks Prior</u>
Eggs Set	215,898	213,869	211,111	209,871	199,037
Chicks Placed	175,812	173,581	172,727	165,889	170,241

SLAUGHTER OF YOUNG CHICKENS UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 17-DEC-05

	<u>Current Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year Ago</u>
Head (000)	164,304	161,899	159,224
Average Live Weight	5.37	5.46	5.22
To Date 2005 (000)	8,049,593	7,885,289	-----
To Date 2004 (000)	7,829,779	7,670,555	-----

MONTHLY COLD STORAGE: Total frozen poultry supplies on **November 30, 2005** were down 12% from the previous month, but up 1% from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were up 8% from the previous month and up 13% from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were down 52% from last month and down 32% from November 30, 2004.

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